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# MURDERED OFFICER LAID TO REST TODAY=IMPRESSIVE SERVICES AT CHAPEL AND GRAVE

## SCRAMBLE FOR OFFICE OF TAX COLLECTOR

As to just who will be lucky enough to get the appointment of tax collector for Greensburg, made vacant by the death, last week, of Edward P. Scott, for 16 years, collector, is still a mystery. The county commissioners who have the handing out of the plum, have many applications, most of which are in the form of petitions, signed by leading citizens and taxpayers of the borough.

Those who have filed their petitions with W. Dick Reamer are Joseph B. Cherry, who for 12 years has been connected with the tax department of the commissioner's office; Samuel E. Patterson, formerly a candidate for the office; G. W. McDowell, a former Ligonier township resident; Andrew Spielmyer, Capt. Jacob Armstrong, C. C. Bell, Adrien Truxal and Charles M. Lohr.

The office is a good one, paying between $3.500 and $4.000 per year.

—S. Monach, the wholesale tobacco dealer of 470 Schoonmaker avenue, will leave tonight on a business trip to New York City.

## Every Effort Is Being Made to Apprehend the Murderer=People Stand Ready to Help Financially

The remains of Officer Alexander Vought, murdered Saturday night, were laid to rest in Grandview cemetery this afternoon at 1 oclock.

Services were held at the Moore chapel, on Donner avenue, being conducted by Rev. J. R. MacFarland, pastor of the First Presbyterian church. Services at the grave were in charge of Monessen Lodge B. P. O. Elks No. 773, the murdered man being a member of th Order.

There are no new developments made public so far, but the state constabulary is working on the case, not only here, but all over the state.

Every contingent has been notified and a close watch is being kept in order that the murderer may not make his escape.

The Monongahela contingent is conducting the investigation and search, and valuable aid is being given by the police force of the Pittsburgh Steel Co.

No stone is being left unturned that the assassin may be brought to justice for this premeditated cold blooded murder, and expense is not being made a consideration.

Every section of the country is being combed thoroughly and hope is still entertained of getting the right man, as well as those who acted as accessories or helped the murderer in making his get away.

Officer Vought, it appears, realized his life was in danger. He made the remark only a day or so before he met his death: "I realize I am up against a tough proposition, and I have a dangerous class of people to deal with, but should I be 'picked off,' I want my property in Mexico sold and the proceeds divided equally between the Order of Masons and the Order of Elks," he belonging to both.

Interest still runs high here among the better class of people, and his unfortunate end is deplored and greatly regretted, as Officer Vought was among the most efficient and fearless men of the entire state constabulary from which he had been sent to Monessen for the purpose of prosecuting crime, which has during the past few months become rampant and is growing worse every day. Deceased is said to have a father living in Brazil.

A number of citizens came to the Independent office today and expressed their readiness and desire to contribute to a fund to be applied in capturing the assassin. A number have offered to contribute as much as $100 each and many $50.00 and $25.00.

## OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR A GREAT MAN

For some time the people of Monessen have been looking forward to the coming of the Rev. Dr. Russell H. Conwell, pastor of the Baptist Temple, Philadelphia. Tomorrow (Thursday) afternoon and evening, that happy event will take place at the local High school. In the afternoon from 3:20 to 3:50 he will give an address to the teachers and at 8 o'clock he will deliver his world famed lecture "Acres of Diamonds."

Doubtless he is the foremost lecturer on the American platform today, possessing international reputation. But to emphasize his unique fame as a lecturer without mentioning his benefactions would be doing him an injustice as no living man has done so much for the education of young men as Dr. Conwell. All the remuneration he receives from his lectures goes toward helping young men secure educational advantages at the Temple College connected with his church. He can justly be called "America's grand old man." His lectures do not consist of theories untried, they are not the product of pure imagination, but are the reflex of his own life that has been spent in bringing to light the latent potentialities of young manhood. His contribution to the world's uplift will not end with him but will be eternal in the lives of those whose whose impress will be stamped indelibly on the pages of future history. Dr. Conwell founded the Samaritan hospital in connection with his church. It is fitted up with all modern appliances for caring for the sick and with a competent staff of physicians. The hospital is non-sectarian. Suffering and need are the only requisites for admission.

In Dr. Conwells travels he had an interview with Abraham Lincoln and remembers John Brown as he was a frequent visitor in the Conwell home.

When the war between Germany and France ended in 1870, he was in Sedan. He saw and interviewed Bismark and was at the crowning of the ex-kaiser. He saw Napoleon III and the Princess Euenie and visited the princess in her home in England. He met General Joseph Garibaldi, General Grant. Mary Livermore and Francis Willard.

Tomorrow evening the rare opportunity will be yours of hearing America's peerless orator and America's Christian nobleman. Hear him.

Yours truly,
Rev. W. S. Carson.
First Baptist church, Monessen.

## Died

Charles S., the three year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kissler of 249 Sixth street, died Monday. The funeral will be held today. Interment in Fels church cemetery.

Hilda Johnston of 625 Knox avenue, aged 35 years, died Tuesday night. Interment will be in Grandview cemetery.

### CARD OF THANKS

We hereby extend our sincere thanks to everyone—neighbors, friends, particularly for the many kindnesses shown us during the recent illness and death of our beloved son, James. We also thank the Pittsburgh Steel Products company. Eagles and others for floral tributes, and all who provided cars. We'll ever remember the many who aided us in our hour of trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Winstone and Family.
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## A New Departure

business we will handle floral designs or decorations. Work done on short notice in artificial, wax or the natural flowers. We invite the public to call and be convinced.

Mrs. Cora Wilkins,
Mrs. Mary Marshall,
48-2tp Next to Star Theatre.

# TEACHERS' INSTITUTE IS PROGRESSING NICELY--GOOD ATTENDANCE AT ALL SESSIONS

## The Entertainment Numbers Attract Large Crowds And The People Are Well Pleased

The second day of the Teachers' Institute opened Tuesday morning with devotional exercises conducted by Rev. I. Jay Duke. There is a growing interest in the music drills conducted by Prof. McDowell, and the singing is proving to be quite a pleasing part of the institute. The singing of Miss Ethel Barth of Charleroi, both forenoon and afternoon, was much appreciated. Miss Norma Bossom gave a violin solo in the afternoon. Her part of the program was well rendered. She will appear again on Thursday forenoon and afternoon.

Prof. Wright at the morning session spoke on "Thinking in the Recitation." He said that the center of gravity must be shifted from behind the teachers' desk to the pupil's mind. In other words, the pupil must be self active and do his own thinking instead of having the teacher think for him. There are three fundamental questions that each teacher should ask before conducting a recitation:—(1) What am I about to do? (2) Why am I about to do it? (3) Why am I about to do it in this particular way? He said that books should not be used as text books, but as books of texts.

In the afternoon he spoke about "The Problem Method in Teaching." Two or three other fundamental problems should be brought out in each recitation. The teacher should not have the pupil learn and recite scraps of information, but, after due consideration, give opinions. The pupil should be taught to reserve his opinion until he has thought carefully on the problem. It is too common an occurrence among the American people to form snap judgment and to have hasty and ill-formed opinions. The teacher must think carefully on fundamental opinions and cause her pupils to do the same. She must cut down the amount of information and have thoughtful discussion.

In the forenoon Dr. Ferris continued his talk on written arithmeric. He said that rapid drill should be conducted at least twice a week. Mental arithmetic should be emphasized. In order to prevent confusing the pupil teach only one method. In the afternoon he spoke on "Fundamentals." The first fundamental that the teacher and school authorities should consider is the health of the pupils. The draft showed that a large percentage ranging from 50 to 75 per cent of the young men of the country were unfit for military service. By the proper care of the health of the pupils, a large percentage of these defects could be remedied.

The second fundamental given is English. Every pupil in the American schools should acquire the ability to speak the English language well. To much attention is often given in acquiring the mechanics of the language without due consideration of the ability to use it in ordinary conversation. Dr. Ferris said that the English language is the life blood of the American people.

The third fundamental is reading. Reading is not properly taught when the pupil has only the ability to pronounce words Reading is a vital thing. The pupil is well taught in reading who has the desire to read good books.

Secretary H. H. Baish of the Pennsylvan a teachers' retirement board, could not be present but sent Superintendent Laramy of Easton, in his place. Superintendent Laramy explained the retirement system and answered satisfactorily all questions that were asked.

In the evening Strickland W Gillilan gave his lecture entitled "A Sample Case of Humor." This is the second time within three years that he has appeared at our institute. If one can judge by the strict attention and the hearty response of his audience, his second appearance here was appreciated even more than his first. Mr. Gillilan is more than a humorist, he is also a poet. He is a man of deep feeling and during his twenty years of lecturing, no one has a cleaner, better record.

This evening the Berkeley Sextette will give their concert. The costumes worn by this company are the most costly used by any company of like size in the entire Lyceum field. Orchestra numbers, readings, songs, instrumental solos and specially costumed selections make up the pleasing and varied entertainment. Their program consists of both classical and popular music. The former is made interesting to all, and the latter is given a new charm.

## FATHER WRITES TOUCHINGLY OF DAUGHTER

A letter received by H. Dallas McCabe, by the father of Miss Alice Potts, speaks in tenderest terms of the treatment of his daughter while she was here attending the sick during the influenza epidemic. Miss Potts herself became a victim of the disease and died in the institution in which she labored and with the sick she came here to nurse. During her stay she made countless friends and her labors were greatly appreciated. The greatest sympathy was expressed when the young lady was taken sick, and when a few days later it was announced that life itself had been surrendered for the welfare of the sufferers, the whole community mourned. The father's kind words of appreciation of the tender care given his daugher during her illness will never be forgotten by those who were associated with Miss Potts in her work of sacrifice. The letter follows.

162 Farragut Road,
Swampscott, Mass.

H. Dallas McCabe,
Chr. Red Cross Com.,
Supt. Emergency Hospital,
Monessen, Pa.

Dear Sir:—

Your letter of Nov. 17th with inclosure, is at hand and I thank you for same and the words of sincere sympathy and commendation.

The loss of my little daughter is, of

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## AVIATORS BEAT RECORD

Traveling from Pittsburgh to Washington, D. C., 200 miles, in 95 minutes in a DeHaviland battle plane, Capt. Norbert Carlon and Capt. Benjamin E. Ling yesterday broke the previous record of 2 hours and 20 minutes. The aviators left Schenley oval at 11:15 oclock yesterday morning and landed in Bolling Field, immediately back of the White House. A message was received at the War Exposition in Pittsburgh announcing their arrival. Capt. Carlon drove the machine. He ascended in a series of spirals until he was out of sight above the low-hanging clouds, and then headed straight for the capital.


## Star Theatre

SESSUE HAYAKAWA
Lasky-Paramount

TODAY at the Star theatre—"The Unbeliever," a stupendous dramatic picture, one of the most stirring war dramas yet seen on the screen. It is really a most remarkable picture.

THURSDAY—Sessue Hayakawa in "His Birthright."

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Balcony ..... 20c
We pay the war tax.
Children ..... 10c—1c tax.

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TO ALL VISITORS

We wish to announce our Xmas selection of gifts for men and boys will be more compleie than ever before.

We invite your inspection at any time.

## Meyers' Bros.

The man's store for
Xmas gifts

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35663—"Missiouri Walse." "Kiss Me Again Walse."
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## Olympic Theatre

TODAY and THURSDAY—"The Romance of Tarzan," with Enid Markey.

FRIDAY and SATURDAY—The second million dollar Charlie Chaplin picture entitled "Shoulder Arm" in which Charlie Chaplin performs greater and more comic features than in any other picture.

Remember on Saturday, Dec. 14 "The Rube of the Circus," featuring Eddy Polo.

## A TOUR OF INSPECTION

of our Safe Deposit Departments will convince you of our ability to afford your valuables perfected protection.

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Monessen Savings and Trust Co.

## Multiply Your Financial Strength

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MONESSEN PA

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Peoples National Bank
Monessen Pa.

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$1.50 to $8.50

Neckwear—Four-in-Hand and Bow styles, new designs and colorings
25c to $3.00

Handkerchiefs—in a wide assortment, plain and initialed
$15c to $1.00

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50c to $6

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## Daily Independent Honor Roll

★ FRANK G. LANE
CITY EDITOR
Enlisted July, 1917
3rd Battalion, 110th Regiment, Hdqrs. Co., now "somewhere in France."

★ DE ROY WOODFILL
JOB DEPARTMENT
Enlisted March, 1918
U. S. Navy. Now located in League Island navy yards, Philadelphia.

## DECREASING ACCIDENTS

That it is possible greatly to reduce the number of industrial accidents is proven by a recent report of conditions in the steel industry. In 1907, 245 men were killed or injured out of every 1,000, an appalling record of slaughter and crippling. In 1917, as the result of the Safety First movement, the rate had been reduced to 81 per 1,000.

One of the greatest causes of poverty is the number of industrial accidents. While the majority of the accidents reported above were trifling, a great many leave a man partly incapacitated for work. The victim becomes discouraged, dependent on relatives and is a drag on the progress and efficiency of the community.

The improvement noted is being accomplished by the campaign of education commonly called the Safety First Movement. It has achieved good results, but accidents are still far too common.

Many employers will not remove dangerous conditions until forced to do so. They act against their own interest. Every time a workman is hurt in poorly protected machinery, it helps deplete the supply of able bodied skilled labor. It undermines the loyalty of a shop force. Mechanics dislike to work in a shop where indifference is shown to the safety of employes.

The majority of accidents are no doubt due to the negligence and lapse of attention of employes. There is no human intelligence in cog wheels and rollers and belts. If you get in their way, they will grind your flesh into sausage. Some people have a certain natural bravado. They delight in doing risky things and showing how little fear they entertain. No person is fit to handle modern machinery until he thoroughly understands its dangers, and is willing to form habits of prudent caution.

## THE MOTIVE FOR FOOD SAVING

Many people feel that now the war is won, we have no motive for saving food. There is the motive of generosity to our allies who have fought so nobly in our interest. But selfish people don't consider that very much now.

It is however a good business proposition to send all the food we can, and in case of famine condition even to send something to Germany. Europe is seething with unrest, owing to the hard conditions that must now be faced. Every form of crazy notion is spreading. Bolshevism and other crank ideas will thrive on hunger and starvation.

The more famine there is in Europe, the longer we shall have to keep a great army over there. Also if these people are to settle down and begin buying our manufactured products of peace time again, they must be helped to get by until next year's crop. The more food we can send to Europe, the quicker business conditions will return to normal.

## ADVERTISED STORES SUCCEED

The problem of any proposition seeking to win favor of the public, is to attract atention, to get talked about. No public entertainment could get attention simply by passing word about it from mouth to mouth. That is why people getting up any kind of a public assembly always rush to the newspapers the first thing.

It is even more difficult for a man to get his business talked about if he refuses to use newspaper space. No one is interested to help him secure this publicity. Few people will take any pains to tell others how good stuff he may carry. He may have ever so good a show window, but people do not stop much to look onto show windows nowadays.

But people will always stop to read the contents of a newspaper, because they pick it up in their own homes at their convenience. Scores of people will notice an advertisement where one would stop to look at a show window.

## EDITORIALETTES

The leading exponent of the Safety First Movement just now is Kaiser Bill.

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There is no objection to letting the Germans have as much food as they gave our prisoners.

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Soap being reported to cost more, the boys have kindly consented to economize in the use of it.

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The girl may give up her job to the returning soldier, but she will probably feel at liberty to ask him to call.

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The news that chewing gum taxes will be reduced is received with prolonged cheering from the stenographers.

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A wealthy Cincinnatti man 63 years old, is to marry a young elevator girl who has demonstrated her ability to rise in life.

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Some of these places that were going to have munition plants erected think the war is stopping before it's real ends are achieved.

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Food prices gone up 16 per cent in the last year, says government report, and the farmers are trying hard to look as depressed as usual.

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Latest reports from the hunting seasons are that emperors, kings and princes are exceedingly shy and wild and keep close in the covers.

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The railroad telegraphers who threaten to strike are reminded that several million women who have taken soldiers' jobs will soon be looking for work

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The government has withdrawn all restrictions on building, but carelessly neglected to remove the worst restriction of all, the expense.

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Some of the people who think newspaper circulation should be kept down to save paper, probably burn up the contents of their waste basket every few days.

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There is a feeling among the Women's clubs that literary study is being made very difficult by the government restrictions on the serving of refreshments.

## Editorial Paragraphs

War marriages are frequently not peaceful unions.

The marines not only are first to fight, but last, also.

From eighteen to forty-five is some stretch in the life of a man.

Soldiers are often like sailors, with a sweetheart in every town.

There is glory enough for all. And sugar enough, too, if you're careful.

Some folks insist on doing all their fighting in the family and outside the army.

Mrs. Hen is obeying the work or fight order when she's just layin' around.

Small boys will learn with great anguish that there is a shortage of schoolteachers.

Our boys over there are fighting and dying magnificently. What are you doing over here?

America's volume of money is greater than ever before, and every dollar is working 24 hours a day.

There cannot be much popular favor for men who arrange to "walk out" while our soldiers are marching.

The new draft law also interferes with the nonessential industry of advertising for men not of draft age.

Another of the indispensable war industries is figuring out what to do with the kaiser when we catch him.

Still since the kaiser said the United States wouldn't fight why did he spend $20 000,000 in this country before 1917?

Men's suits are quoted at $200 each in Austria. Only the very rich man can refer glibly to his "other clothes."

One disadvantage of being president is the uncertainty of vacations in war time.

In their wholesale seizure of metals, the Germans apparently have overlooked gold in the teeth of their captives.

German airplanes are making no attacks on London now. They are needed to protect home towns from allied airmen.

Typewriters are not classed as luxuries. In the advance of this commercial and practical age, they are now necessities.

The government slogan "Eat fish to win the war" does not necessarily mean that you should drop work and go fishing.

Strategists of France, England and America, would like to know just where Foch intends to strike next. So would the Germans.

There are always compensations in life. With hair cuts at $1 apiece, the bald-headed ones are more to be envied than scorned.

The outbreak of Vesuvius should suggest to the Italians the advisability of tapping a few mountain peaks to the rear of the Austrians.

New draft registrants need not feel discouraged if they are exempted, as that merely means they can serve best in their present capacity.

A good many men object vigorously to the increased cost of foodstuffs, but continue to pay cheerfully the added cost of their smokes.

There are 51 other weeks in which it is good to buy War Savings stamps, but not so good for buying the stamp you are going to buy this week.

Much to the regret of the woman struggling with the necessity of doing her own work, dishwashing continues to be an essential occupation.

Somehow it is difficult to make a hit with a man who has been at his desk all summer by telling about the good time you had on your vacation.

When Prussians discover a "conscientious objector" they put him in front of the machine guns during a drive and let the law of self-preservation take its course.

The American public's method of meeting a shortage of any kind is wonderfully simple and effective. People go without until the normal supply is restored.

Among the inevitable cruelties of war will be the inquiry made by the government of theatrical press agents as to the real salaries of the stars they represent.

The federal reserve bank is issuing some new paper money, but as it is only $1 and $2 bills it probably won't interest many people in these days of large things.

Mr. McAdoo advises everybody to do as little traveling as possible, and if you have traveled very much of late you will agree with him such is the most comfortable plan.

From all accounts King George of England is taking to Americans like a duck to water, and we would not be surprised to hear that he has been seen in public eating corn on the cob.


**Let Us Print Your Sale Bills**


## SUGAR SHOWED OUR BACKBONE

### American Willingness to Give Up Luxury Demonstrated Nation's War Conscience.

### STAND WITH THE ALLIES.

By Reducing Consumption People of the United States Averted a Famine at Home in Spite of Low Supplies.

The fact that the people of the United States were able to reduce by more than one-half million tons their July, August, September and October consumption of sugar proves conclusively that their war conscience was thoroughly awakened and that the country as a whole stood ready to follow the injunctions of the Government.

Our normal consumption of sugar in the four-month period beginning with July has been 400 000 tons per month, a total of 1,600,000 for the quarter year.

In July, when our sugar stringency began to reach its height, consumption was reduced to 260 000 tons. In August only 325,000 tons went into distribution and in September only 279,000 tons. In October the distribution fell to 230,000 tons.

If the general public had failed to observe the injunctions of the Food Administration this country would have been in the throes of a sugar famine before the end of August. Our visible supplies were so low as to bring great anxiety to those familiar with the sugar situation. They feared that it would be absolutely impossible to reduce consumption to a point where sugar would no longer be a mere luxury in the American diet.

Few accomplishments of the Food Administration will stand forth so predominantly as this reduced consumption of sugar. By it we have been able to bridge over the period of stringency until the new beet and Louisiana cane sugar crops were in sight.

Now the nation is in a position so that if we choose we may return to our normal home use of sugar, and Europe, with the release of ships to go far afield, can maintain its recent restricted rations. If, however, those nations are to increase their use of sugar very considerably it must be by our continued sharing with them through limiting our own consumption.

### AMERICAN SPIRIT RELIED ON TO WIN.

In the light of succeeding events it is interesting to recall the confidence with which the United States Food Administrator viewed the gloomy outlook in July of 1917, when this country had been in the war for less than four months and the Germans were steadily sending the western front nearer and nearer to Paris.

"Even though the situation in Europe may be gloomy today," he declared in a public statement, "no American who has knowledge of the results already obtained in every direction need have one atom of fear that democracy will not defend itself in these United States."

### LOYALTY IN LITTLE THINGS LAST PROOF OF PATRIOTISM

Americans without murmuring cut their sugar allowance from four pounds a month to three and then as long as need be to two pounds for loyalty's sake.

### Food Will Win the World.

America earned the gratitude of allied nations during war by sharing food. America under peace may win the world's good will by saving to share.

### DEMOCRACY VS. AUTOCRACY.

"There is no royal road to food conservation. We can only accomplish this by the voluntary action of our whole people, each element in proportion to its needs. It is a matter of equality of burden."

The truth of this statement, made by the United States Food Administrator soon after we entered the war, has been borne out by the history of our exports. Autocratic food control in the lands of our enemies has broken down, while democratic food sharing has maintained the health and strength of this country and of the Allies.


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Take one or two at bedtime for quick relief, so you can eat what you like. At 10c and 25c per box. All druggists.

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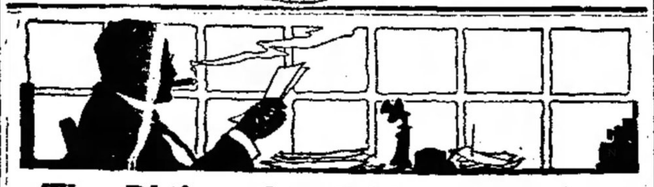

## *The Philosophical Observations of a Patriotic Business Man*

BY A PRO-AMERICAN.

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Now that peace has come have I finished my task?

Is my work ended? Should I share in the financial responsibility of caring for the 2,500,000 boys who went through hell for me and who want to come back? Am I a patriot if I forget their service NOW?

I am not a quitter.

We all know that this county must sell more, and more, and still more War Savings Stamps. IF WE DO NOT LOAN THE MONEY UNCLE SAM WILL DEMAND THAT WE PAY IT OUTRIGHT IN TAXES. WE CAN LEND OUR MONEY AT 4 PER CENT COMPOUND INTEREST. WHAT WE GIVE IN TAXATION WILL NEVER COME BACK.

AS A BUSINESS MAN, I AM GOING TO GET INTO THIS LAST BIG W. S. S. DRIVE. Every county in the United States has a fixed quota. Every county making good will be honored with a beautiful brouze tablet which will become part of the county court house representing the everlasting appreciation of the United States for the patriotic services of the people of this district. As a matter of patriotic and civic pride I want my county to have this beautiful marker.

I am going to invest in the cost of a $1,000 Pershing membership and induce all my friends to join this W. S. S. limit club. I am going to ask all men and women to buy in the largest amounts they can afford up to $1,000.

A careful scrutiny of the list of men and women of this county shows that only 50 per cent of the people have helped in the War Savings Stamp campaign during 1918. That is why we are not at the head of the list in Pennsylvania counties.

We have until January 1st to make good. Let's give stamps as Christmas gifts. Let's exchange Liberty Bond coupons for War Savings Stamps.

Let us NEVER FORGET THAT THE MONEY NOT SUBSCRIBED IN WAR SAVINGS STAMPS WILL HAVE TO BE MADE UP IN NEW LIBERTY LOAN ISSUES AND IN REVENUE TAXES.

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### Short but Eventful Career.

Timgad, or as it was known in Roman history, Thamugas, was built in 100 A. D. by the order of Trajan. The city had an eventful history during its short career, repeatedly invaded, destroyed and restored. Finally, after the Arabian invasion of 649 A. D. it was left to the mercy of the wind and desert.

### Corks of Pine.

Owing to the scarcity of true cork in Sweden, wooden corks are being used in that country, the substitutes being made from quick-growing pine. This wood has wide annual rings, and one of its characteristics is its tendency to swell somewhat after it has been fashioned into stoppers.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

### London's Only Street Archway.

St. John's gateway, which spans the north end of St. John's lane, Smithfield, is the only medieval archway remaining over a London street, and was built in 1504.

### One Way Out.

Two bluejackets were in the washroom washing clothes, preparatory to the weekly inspection. They were both regulars and had enlisted for four years. One of them had been in the service one year, and was rather tired of being on the station so long, and expressed his sentiments to that effect. The other, looking up at his discontented "buddie," said, "Well, if you don't like it, give three years' notice and quit the navy."

### Eskimo Names.

Eskimos are not able to trace their ancestors back for more than a generation or two because the Eskimo names do not run from generation to generation, and in every Eskimo family each person has a separate name. This is pointed out by Charles Menadalook, an Eskimo teacher, writing in a recent issue of the Eskimo, the only publication issued for the benefit of his race.

## BETWEEN FLOORS

By SOPHIA B. COHAN.

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"And I don't think there is any virtue in helping all these war funds with money given to me by dad, so I'm going to work, and besides buying more War Savings stamps and contributing to the Red Cross, I'll be releasing some man for the service." Marcia Gray spoke earnestly, at the same time unfolding a small piece of paper, which she proudly displayed to Bob Eaton's astonished eyes.

"An elevator operator's license," he gasped, then smiled. "To think of a woman running an elevator, and of all women you!" And Bob, usually so sympathetic, could control his mirth no longer, and was now shaking with laughter.

Marcia's eyes filled with tears. She had worked so hard to gain that precious bit of paper, and had been so in earnest, and here was Bob ridiculing her! Her chagrin gave way to anger. Folding the license with a snap she ran into the house with a curt, "Well, you'll see, Mr. Robert Eaton, and don't ever speak to me again," and shut the door in his face.

The following day, as Bob stepped into the elevator in his office building, he was amazed to see Marcia at the wheel. Then, regaining his composure, he greeted her cheerfully. Marcia met his smile with a cold, unseeing glance as she closed the door and started the elevator. Bob had ample time until Marcia let him off at the eighth floor to change his mind about her capability. He had to admit she was much more polite and efficient than the boy whose place she had taken—and she looked sweeter than ever in her plain gray uniform! All that day Marcia's face, framed in the black curls which rebelliously refused to stay under her severely serviceable little cap, was hopelessly mixed with Bob's letters and reports, and it was with difficulty that he restrained himself from running to the elevator. At last, at five o'clock, he saw her again, and again she ignored him.

So Bob rode up and down in the elevator, hoping against hope that she would relent. Then, when a month had passed without any result he decided to walk, rather than see her so often and not be able to speak to her.

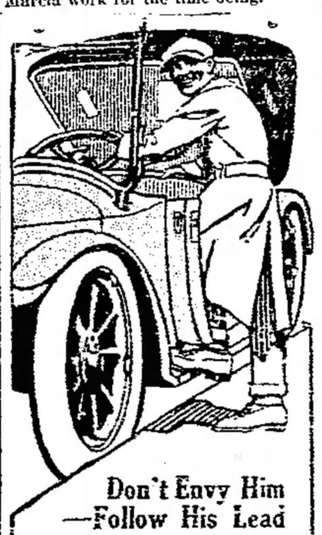
Perhaps Marcia missed him, for many times as she saw him running swiftly up the stairs, she felt an impulse to call to him. However, she still remembered how he had laughed at her, and restrained herself, happy that in spite of his unbelief, she was succeeding far better than she herself had dared hope.

Then one day, at the end of two months of arduous stair climbing Bob was very late, and to save time, took the elevator. Besides, he was wearing a new, wonderful olive-drab uniform, which he was very anxious for a certain little lady to see. Bob was the only passenger in the elevator. Marcia's heart leaped, but she said nothing. And then a curious thing happened.

She stopped the elevator between the seventh and eighth floors, and, turning around, said warmly, "I congratulate you, Mr. Eaton." She turned swiftly back, the light in her eyes forbidding Bob to say anything.

Marcia's heart sank—the brakes refused to yield! Bob was at her side immediately. She silently accepted his solicitous offer to help, and for fifteen minutes they worked together. Marcia sank to the floor when Bob finally told her it was no use for them to try, and that they would have to wait until they were pulled up.

Half an hour later they were released from the elevator. Marcia's face shone radiantly through the oil from the brakes as she stepped out. And the radiance from her countenance was reflected in Bob's, for hadn't she promised to become Mrs. Eaton, and wait for him until he came back from "Over there?" And Bob, having a true diplomatic instinct, had agreed to let Marcia work for the time being.

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# LOCAL NOTES

—Musterole at Craigs Drug Store.44-tf

—Louis Stephens leaves Thursday morning for St. Petersburg, Florida, where he expects to spend the winter.

—The Women's Aid of the United Brethren church will conduct an all-day meeting Thursday, the time to be occupied in quilting and sewing.

—Mrs. Mary Marshall has entered into partnership with Mrs. Cora Wilkins in the millinery business on Sixth street, next to the Star theatre.

—All persons who have not called at the High school to identify the articles which they have loaned to the emergency hospital, do so at once.

—The Ladies' Adult Bible class of the Methodist church will meet Friday evening at the usual time at the church. 48-2t

—Wednesday evening cheer practice will be held in the High school gymnasium at 4 p. m. The game with Charleroi is going to be a tough one, and the Monessen fellows will need as much encouragement as possible. Everyone is invited to come up and practice the new yells.

—Frank Andwleo of 1227 Highland avenue, was given a hearing this morning in police court before Burgess Stewart on a charge of being intoxicated and acting in a disorderly manner. He was arrested Monday. His fine was $32.25 which was paid.

DANCE FRIDAY EVENING

The "Old Glory Club" of the P. O. S. of A. will hold their second dance of a series on Friday evening, Dec. 6, in Markell's hall. Main streeet, Monongahela. Mendelsohn's orchestra will furnish the music. Admission per couple 75c, extra lady 25c. Soldier or sailor admitted free. 48-3t

# SLIGHTLY WOUNDED SOLDIERS NOT REPORTED

Secretary Baker appearing before the Senate Military committee yesterday to explain the delay in completing the publication of American casualties overseas, said he thought most of the reported names were those of men slightly wounded and would come in by mail.

Senators were unable to understand why only a little over 100,000 names have been published, when it has been officially announced that the casualties number 262,693. The Secretary said every effort consistent with accuracy was made to prevent delay, and that Gen. Pershing had been urged repeatedly to expedite his lists, sending the names of the dead first.

"The department from the beginning," Mr. Baker said, "has never held up, withheld or delayed giving out casualty lists. Our policy has been to give a complete statement as soon as possible."

Gen. March, discussing demobilization, said Gen. Pershing was selecting units for the occupational force of about 1,250,000 men, and that all the other American soldiers in France would be brought home as rapidly as shipping could be provided.

Gen. March also said unless relatives of Americans who have lost their lives request otherwise, all bodies of the American dead will be brought home without legislation by Congress. How soon the transportation of bodies will begin, Gen. March said he could not state.

## Want Column

FOR SALE—Property on Schoonmaker avenue with double apartments and storeroom. Will be sold at less than cost to build in slump times. Suitable for club or social rooms. Prospective purchasers address L, care Daily Independent office. 39-tf p

FOR SALE—A Guernsey-Holstein heifer at 156 Donner avenue. 48-2tp

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WANTED—Two or three furnished rooms for light housekeeping, in good location. Family of two. Address "J" care Independent. 48-2tp

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LOST—Assessor's property transfer book on Knox avenue, between Ninth and Fourth. Finder return to J. A. Black, 421 Reed avenue 1tp

LOST—An overcoat Sunday night Finder return to Independent office. 48-2tp

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FOR RENT—3 unfurnished rooms; 181 Oneida street. 47-3tp

LOST—A Bible between the U. B. church and First street. Finder please return to Charles W. Herbert, 22 Linden avenue. Finder will be rewarded. 47-2tp

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One of the latest is from Mr. W. F. Bender, a popular young Pittsburgh athlete, who has learned, as have all others to indulge in violent outdoor exercise, that it is vitally important to keep the system in a healthy condition. Mr. Bender resides at No. 708 Homewood avenue, and has a wide acquaintance in that city. He said: "For the past three years I have been in a run-down and nervous condition. I had indigestion, gas on the stomach, pains in my back, was dizzy and had constant headaches. I was always constipated, my liver was torpid and sluggish and I could not get any sleep at night. Since taking Ten-Herbs I have a fine appetite, no more indigestion, and the pains in my back are entirely gone. I feel like a new person and can't say enough in praise of Ten-Herbs."

Ten-Herbs is sold in Monessen at the Central Pharmacy. 1t

## A Week's Leave

By ROBERT FORD TRESHAM

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"It is Mr. Lyle Bartram?" spoke the sweetest voice the owner of that name had ever heard, as he entered the office of his nearest relative, and he nodded blunderingly, for the sight of a lovely face in full accord with the musical tones for the moment held him spellbound.

"You are to wait for your uncle, Mr. Edson, if you please," continued Edna Worrell, flushing under the ardent glance of the visitor. "He expects you and he will be here soon, I am sure."

Lyle sank into the chair nearest to this rare vision of loveliness. She had, it appeared, succeeded to Mr. Robert Worrell, for ten years the secretary of the law office. Most heartily Lyle approved of the change, admired his uncle's good taste and was engaged in a most pleasing casual conversation with the young lady when Mr. Edson appeared.

"You got me a week's leave from the encampment—thanks," spoke Lyle at the start, as Mr. Edson led him into his private office. "I see you have made a change in your assistant."

"Yes," nodded his uncle. "Worrell was fairly superannuated." He anticipated it, I fancy, and schooled this treasure of a daughter to take his place when he got ready to retire. She fills the bill completely—more than fills it, I should say, for she has all Worrell's knowledge of detail and is more speedy in her work.

"A pleasant surprise, uncle," spoke Lyle warmly. "It will seem good, after a month of hard training, to have seven days of complete leisure."

"Ah-m—just so," murmured Mr. Edson, with a keen glance at his nephew. "Only, I imagine your time will be pretty well occupied. Fact is," and Mr. Edson smiled wearily, "this war business has set my wife all topsy-turvy."

"I don't know a better patriot," exclaimed Lyle.

"That may be, and I wouldn't shirk duty under any circumstances, only it's not going to be the same when [illegible] away for good. It would be a sad loss from me, my boy. You have been like an own son and I [illegible] you greatly. The [illegible] be pretty lone some."

[illegible] was a pang in the old man's [illegible] Lyle deeply.

[illegible] I would not do to [illegible] of all your kindness [illegible] Lyle fervently.

[illegible] I knew I could count [illegible] Worrell [illegible] one [illegible] There are two more [illegible] for you, then will [illegible] your heart strings. [illegible] there will [illegible] for to [illegible] I have thought it all out, [illegible] your week's leave [illegible] proof."

"I do—"

Lyle nearly jumped from his seat. [illegible] he had never [illegible] Mr. Edson accurately working [illegible] principles.

"[illegible] of your young [illegible] will be glad [illegible] of [illegible]" went on Mr. Edson. "With a wife thinking of [illegible] back to you will [illegible] to hold you and I would [illegible] comfort me [illegible] hers."

Much more in a similar strain John Edson imparted to his nephew. "A choice of any good, lovable girl will please me," he said, in conclusion. "I do not dictate to you, Lyle I only express the wish that lies next to my heart."

"I shall try to meet your wishes, uncle," spoke Lyle, and thought of Miss Edna Worrell.

John Edson was called away on professional business the next day. The week's leave was nearing an end when he returned. He was disappointed as he made some casual inquiries of friends before he met Lyle.

His brow wore a deep shadow as Lyle came rushing into the office all activity and ardor.

"You do not seem to have employed your time very diligently during my absence, Lyle," spoke the old man gravely. "I do not hear of your having visited one of our old friends."

"No, uncle," answered Lyle, with a quizzical smile upon his face. "I was too much occupied at the office, winning the wife you ordered me to find."

"At the office? Are you making sport of me, Lyle?"

"Not a bit of it," replied Lyle. "Uncle, I hope you approve, for the first minute I saw Edna Worrell I fell in love with your lovely secretary."

"Ha!" exclaimed Mr. Edison, and the start of a bright smile showed on his relieved face.

"And the fourth day after you left I told her so."

"You artful schemer," chuckled Mr. Edson, delighted. "A girl among a thousand!"

"You approve?"

"Decidedly Lyle. I congratulate you sincerely."

"Edna, dear," spoke Lyle, going to the door and opening it, "our dear uncle wishes to give us both his blessing. For you see, uncle," continued Lyle, gayly, "you need never be lonely while I am gone, for Edna will keep you company at home, and of course you can't spare her from your office where she is so essential to you, so you will have her with you practically all of the time."

Men of forty-five are beginning to tighten their belts, strut cockily through the streets and talk about "us boys."

Wonder if the soldiers remember the days when they used to knock off work 15 minutes early, so they'd be sure to hear the whistle?

The high cost of living wouldn't be so bad for the average citizen if he could petition for a wage increase to an impartial board.

Nobody expects to see college football abolished, but it would occasion no surprise if pell masters were declared non-essential.

Thanks to the war garden, another good old joke has to be taken seriously: "You eat what you can and what you can't you can."

The most dangerous enemies are either in internment camps or are being arrested for attempts to defraud the government on war contracts.

# JOHN GRIBBEN WRITES TO HOME FOLKS

The following letter of interest was received by Mrs. James H Gribben of Steubenville, O., from her son John, who is in France with the 327th medical infirmary. John is well known in Monessen, having been employed for about a year with G. F. Wright, the furniture dealer, later working at Latrobe with the Electric Steel Co., going from Latrobe, where he enlisted, to Camp Gordon. He is a brother of Mrs. E. O. Lear of Belle Vernon and Miss Ola Mae Gribben, formeriy of Monessen.

France, Oct. 22, 1918.

Dear Mother:

Just a line in answer to your many letters which I have not had time to answer for I am in the largest and hardest battle of the war. I am north east of Verdum, east of the Meuse river. We have driven thru the Argonne Forest and we are still going. The Hun is doing is everything he can to stop us but nothing doing. It has cost a lot of good American blood, but one thing he is loosing more than we are. I have been trying to fight the dogs of the ones they are sending to the hospital. I was caught in a gas shell barrage and I had my mask torn off by a piece of shell and I was out of luck until I found a dead Hun and got his mask. I have been all in for over a week but I am feeling fine again and ready for duty. Well I think I will have to close for this time. Don't worry about me for I am in a place where I can't write every week.

Nov. 8, 1918.

The word came out that the war is over. I thought I would drop you a few lines to let you know I am alive and feeling fine and came through the Argonne Forest fight without a scratch, although I had a tough old time of it and lost three pals. We were fixing up a captain who had his leg broken when a German sniper picked off the others and I escaped. I was in the battle 22 days and it kept me as well as the medical men on the go all the time. We are now on a real rest, the first since June 26. It seems kind of strange and lonesome not to hear the big guns and shells screaming and roaring day and night.

This is some village we are in, after dark you cannot see a soul on the streets but soldiers. The people all go to bed at dark and it gets dark at five o'clock. I was out for a walk today and run into my outfit and they had heard that I was wounded, killed, captured and I don't know what all, and Captain Miller almost kissed me, he was so glad to see me and know that nothing had happened to me. It sounds like a lot of hot air to me but I didn't tell him so, for a close mouth makes a wise head in a case of that kind. It is getting late so I will close now and will crawl into an honest to goodness bed, the first since I left Latrobe. I am as ever

Your Son,
John Gribben.

# MEAT PRODUCERS DID FULL DUTY

Increase in American Hogs Will Help to Meet World Fat Shortage.

FARMERS SAVE SITUATION.

Government Justified in Stimulation of Pork Production—Sevenfold Increase Over Pre-War Exports.

Through increased production and conservation we will be able this year to export seven times our pre-war average exports of pork products. With the heavy demands added in caring for the millions who have been freed from German oppression, the Department of Agriculture and the Food Administration are justified today in our every action of stimulation of hog production. In the coming year the greatest world shortage will be in fats, and pork will help to save this situation. The efficacy of the policy of stimulated production has built up in this country supplies which will enable us to supply a very large part of the fat deficiency of the world. In beef there must be a shortage in Europe, due largely to limited refrigerator ship capacity. All freezer ships available, however, will be filled by America, Argentine and Australia.

The contribution made by the producers of this country to the war program as applying particularly to animal food products is illustrated by the following:

Reports compiled by the U. S. Department of Agriculture indicate an increase in cattle of 10,238,000 head and 12,441,000 hogs. These figures were compiled to January 1 last.

In this period there was a decrease in sheep of 819,000 head. The indications are that this decrease will show an increase, according to recent reports.

Since January 1 unofficial information indicates an increase in hogs of not less than 8 per cent. and not more than 15 per cent. as compared with one year ago, with an increase in the average weight.

Following the request of the U. S. Food Administration for an increase in hog production for marketing in the fall of 1918 and the spring of 1919 the increase may yield not less than 1,600,000,000 pounds more of pork products than were available last year. Without this increase the shipping program arranged by Mr. Hoover regarding animal food products would have been impossible.

The dressed hog products during the three months ending September 30, 1917, amounted to 903,172,000 pounds, while for the corresponding months of 1918 the dressed hog products totaled 1,277,589,000, an increase of over 374,000,000 pounds for the quarter.

During the same period for 1917 the records of inspected slaughter of dressed beef showed 1,263,000,000 pounds as against 1,454,000,000 pounds for the three month period ending September 1, this year.

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**FAITH JUSTIFIED BY EVENTS.**

I do not believe that drastic force need be applied to maintain economic distribution and some use of supplies by the great majority of American people, and I have learned a deep and abiding faith in the intelligence of the average American business man, whose aid we anticipate and depend on to remedy the evils developed by the war.—Herbert Hoover, August 10, 1917.

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## Father Writes Touchingly of Daughter

(Continued from first page.)

course, a grief so deep that words are inadequate to express same, but from what Miss McKinnon tells us, we know that your doctors watched over her and that everything that could be done to save her, was done.

Please accept yourself and convey to Doctors Griffith, Cramer, Luhan and Poole and to the nurses our gratitude and appreciation for the tender care given my daughter and all that was done to make her last days happy, and we realize Alice gave her life in a work and cause she loved.

We note from your letter that your organization is assuming the expense of transportation of funeral party, an for the beautiful casket in which she rested.

A most beautiful floral tribute came from the American Red Cross of Monessen, Pa., with expressions of sympathy and praise for the work done by my daughter.

Please extend to the organization our sincere thanks for same and all they have done to honor her memory.

Sincerely yours,
John A. Potts.

November twenty-first.

**NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP**

Notice is hereby given that the partnership between Joe Prise and Joseph A. Weber was dissolved on the 3rd day of December, 1918. All debts owing to the said partnership are to be paid, and debts due from the same, discharged at 428 Donner avenue, Monessen, Pa., where the business will be continued by the above named Joe Prise in an individual capacity under the name of Sanitary Meat Market.

Joe Prise.
Jos. A. Weber.

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OLYMPIC THEATRE TODAY

# SPROUL CHOOSES SECRETARY

Cyrus E. Wood of Greensburg, will be offered a second term as Secretary of the Commonwealth by Governor-elect William C. Sproul. This announcment was made at the Union League in Philadelphia by Pennsylvania's incoming chief executive.

William I. Schaffer, of Delaware county, a close personal friend of Governor-elect William C. Sproul, will be the next attorney general.

Harry S. McDevitt, special deputy auditor general, will be secretary to the governor.

It is probable Dr. Eward Martin, of Philadelphia, a member of the board of education, will be appointed commissioner of health. At least his name is being considered.

The name of Dr. Wilmer Krusen, director of the department of public health and charities in the Smith administration, for the last has virtually been eliminated.

The only other name considered is that of Dr. J. M. Baldy, president of the state bureau of medical and licensure.

Senator Sproul made no statement of his thoughts respecting the office of health commissioner.

The next speaker of the house of representatives will have to be chosen by the house.


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